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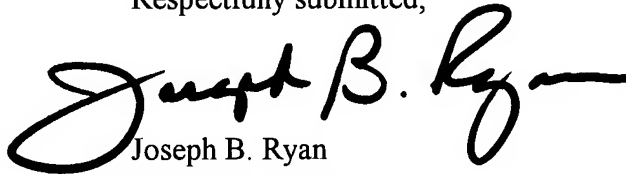
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1. S. Keshav et al., "Issues and Trends in Router Design," IEEE Communication Magazine, 15 pages, 1998.
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